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1. WHILE AIR INTER GROUND EMPLOYEES WENT BACK TO WORK END OF LAST WEEK AFTER WINNING WAGE INCREASE, FLIGHT CREW PERSONNEL OF AIR INTER AS WELL AS UTA HAVE GONE OUT ON STRIKE WITH AIR FRANCE FLIGHT CREWS FOR 48 HOURS AS OF MIDNIGHT APRIL 21. AS REPORTED REFTEL, STRIKE IS IN PROTEST OVER AIR FRANCE DISMISSAL OF PILOT WHO LANDED AT ORLY INSTEAD OF CDG AIRPORT. PRESS REPORTS THAT CGT AND CFTC UNIONS OF AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS HAVE ALSO VOICED SUPPORT OF DEMAND FOR PILOT'S REINSTATEMENT BUT ARE NOT ASSOCIATING THEMSELVES WITH STRIKE ACTION.

2. UNION GROUPING CABIN PERSONNEL OF ABOVE THREE CARRIERS HAS URGED ITS MEMBERS TO JOIN THE TWO DAY STRIKE. AIR FRANCE MANAGEMENT HAD ANNOUNCED THAT MOST OF ITS LONG-RANGE INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS WERE EXPECTED TO OPERATE DESPITE STRIKE, THOUGH, AFP
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REPORTS THAT AS OF NOON APRIL 22 STRIKE SEEMS TO BE

FAIRLY EFFECTIVE. ONLY 13 AIR FRANCE DEPARTURES
WERE PROGRAMMED. ONLY ONE THIRD OF AIR INTER FLIGHTS
ARE OPERATING. THERE IS NO WORD YET ON EFFECT OF
STRIKE ON UTA OPERATIONS.
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